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SUB: THE BRITISH ARE WATERING OUR WHISKEY

1. EC CUSTOMS OFFICIALS HAVE INFORMED THE MISSION
PRIVATELY THAT THEY HAVE JUST LEARNED THAT THE BRITISH
ARE WATERING OUR WHISKEY AND SELLING IT TO THE GERMANS.

2. GERMAN CUSTOMS HAVE NOTIFIED EC CUSTOMS OFFICIALS
THAT THEY HAVE JUST RECEIVED A SHIPMENT OF QUOTE
FINEST FOUR YEAR OLD BOURBON WHISKEY UNQUOTE FROM THE
RED LION BLENDING CO., LTD., 1 ST THE VILLAGE, NORTH
END WAY, LONDON N. W. 3, ACCOMPANIED BY A CERTIFICATED
ISSUED BY H. M CUSTOMS GLASGOW. THE CERTIFICATE
STATES THAT THE PRODUCT CONSISTS OF 15756 LITERS OF
BOURBON WHISKEY PRODUCED IN THE UNITED STATES TO WHICH
935 GALLONS OF WATER HAVE BEEN ADDED PRODUCING A TOTAL
QUANTITY OF 20352.4 LITERS OF QUOTE FINEST FOUR YEAR
OLD UNQUOTE. THE ORIGINAL US PRODUCT HAD AN ALCOHOLIC
CONTENT OF 55.1 DEGREES GAY LUSSAC, BUT THE ADDITIONAL
WATER HAS REDUCED THE FINAL PRODUCTS TO 43.3 DEGREES
GAY LUSSAC.

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3. THE COMMISSION OFFICIAL STATED THAT HE WISHED TO
BRING THIS TO OUR ATTENTION IN CASE THERE IS FRAUD
INVOLVED. THE MISSION OFFICER THANKED HIM AND STATED
THAT HE WOULD SEND THE INFORMATION TO THE OFFICIALS IN
CHARGE OF MAINTAINING THE GOOD NAME AND HIGH ALCOHOLIC
CONTENT OF US BOURBON WHISKEY.
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